

## CLAIMS

We Claim:

1. A skateboard comprising:

an elongated deck having a bottom surface, a first end and a second end;

an elongated slide plate with a top surface, said top surface in contact with said bottom surface of said elongated deck assembly within the margins of said bottom surface of said elongated deck;

a first truck having a mounting base and a second truck having a mounting base said mounting base of said first truck mounted to said bottom surface of said elongated deck through said elongated slide plate near said first end of said elongated deck and said mounting base of said second truck mounted to said bottom surface of said elongated deck through said elongated slide plate near said second end of said elongated deck wherein said slide plate is mounted between said mounting bases of said first and said second truck assemblies and said bottom surface of said elongated deck; and

a first pair of wheels and a second pair of wheels said first pair of wheels mounted to said first truck assembly and said second pair of wheels mounted to said second truck assembly whereby said skateboard will roll lengthwise on a surface.

2. The skateboard of claim 1 wherein said elongated slide plate is constructed of resilient plastic materials selected from the group consisting of acrylic, modified acrylic, nylon, polycarbonate, polyester, polyethylene, polypropylene, polystyrene, polyurethane, and polyvinyl chloride.

3. The skateboard of claim 2 wherein said elongated slide plate is of a thickness between about 0.10 and about 0.33 inches.

4. The skateboard of claim 3 wherein said elongated slide plate further comprises a first end margin, a second end margin, and two side margins.

5. The skateboard of claim 4 wherein said elongated slide plate is of the same width as said mounting surfaces of said front and said second truck assemblies whereby said side margins of said elongated slide plate mount flush between said bottom surface of said elongated deck and said mounting surfaces of said first and said second truck assemblies.

6. The skateboard of claim 5 wherein the length of said slide plate is equivalent to the distance between the end-wise margin of said mounting base of said first truck assembly and the end-wise margin of said mounting base of said second truck assembly.

7. The skateboard of claim 6 wherein said two side margins of said elongated slide plate are beveled whereby said two side margins will not hang up, grab, or bite during a trick or maneuver.

8. A skateboard comprising:

an elongated deck with a bottom surface and an outer margin;

an elongated slide plate having an upper surface and lower surface located within said outer margin, said upper surface longitudinally in contact with said bottom surface of said elongated deck; and

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two trucks, each truck having a mounting surface, each of said mounting surfaces attached to said bottom surface of said elongated deck through said elongated slide plate, each of said trucks having two wheels whereby the skateboard will roll lengthwise on four wheels.

9. The skateboard of claim 8 wherein the slide plate is of a width equivalent to the width of said mounting surfaces of each of said two trucks and of a length equivalent to the span between the distal margins of each of said mounting surfaces of said two trucks.

10. The skateboard of claim 9 wherein said elongated slide plate is constructed of resilient plastic materials selected from the group consisting of acrylic, modified acrylic, nylon, polycarbonate, polyester, polyethylene, polypropylene, polystyrene, polyurethane, and polyvinyl chloride.

11. The skateboard of claim 10 wherein said slide plate is of a thickness between about 0.10 and about 0.33 inches.

12. The skateboard of claim 11 wherein said slide plate further comprises two mounting ends and two exposed side edges, each of said two mounting ends located under each of said two mounting surfaces of said two trucks, each of the two exposed side edges

located exterior to each of said mounting surfaces of said two trucks between each of said two trucks.

13. The skateboard of claim 12 wherein said exposed side edges of said elongated slide plate are beveled whereby said exposed side edges will not hang up, grab, or bite during a trick or maneuver.

14. A slide plate for a skateboard comprising:

an elongated plate with a first end and a second end; and

a plurality of mounting holes through said first and second ends of said elongated plate whereby said elongated plate can be mounted between the bottom surface of a skateboard deck and the truck mounting bases by the truck mounting bolts.

15. The slide plate of claim 14 wherein said elongated slide plate is of a width equivalent to the width of the truck mounting surfaces and of a length equivalent to the span between the end margins of each of the truck mounting surfaces.

16. The slide plate of claim 15 wherein said elongated slide plate is constructed of resilient plastic materials selected from the group consisting of acrylic, modified acrylic, nylon, polycarbonate, polyester, polyethylene, polypropylene, polystyrene, polyurethane, and polyvinyl chloride.

17. The slide plate of claim 16 wherein said elongated slide plate is of a thickness between about 0.10 and about 0.33 inches.

DI 18. The slide plate of claim 17 wherein said elongated slide plate is about 0.25 inches thick.